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		JP-11-040497-A	02-12-1999	Katano et al.		Yes
		JP-2001-230196-A	08-24-2001	Shinya		Yes
		JP-2001-252521-A	09-18-2001	Shono		Yes
		JP-2002-093688-A	03-29-2002	Yoshioka et al.		Yes

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